

## The Twelve Traditions of Pills Anonymous

- 1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on P.A. unity.
- 2. For our group purpose, there is but one ultimate authority a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.
- 3. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using pills.
- 4. Each group should be autonomous, except in matters affecting other groups or P.A. as a whole.
- 5. Each group has just one primary purpose to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.
- 6. A P.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the P.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
- 7. Every P.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
- 8. Pills Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
- 9. P.A. as such ought never be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
- 10. Pills Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the P.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
- 11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.
- 12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles above personalities.

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